



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For: SURFACE TREATED PRODUCT, SURFACE TREATMENT METHOD,

AND SURFACE TREATMENT APPARATUS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following specification changes as noted below: